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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MAKOTO NUMAKAWA et al.

Serial No: 10/565,769

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For: MAINTENANCE APPARATUS FOR
MEDICAL HANDPIECE

Art Unit: 3732

Examiner: Heidi M. Bashaw

RULE 116 AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 31, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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